

I WILL GIVE THANKS TO YOU, LORD, WITH ALL MY HEART;
I WILL TELL OF ALL YOUR WONDERFUL DEEDS. PSALMS 9:1 NIV



heart to heart

NEWSLETTER

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Jehovah Jireh Project - Loving the Orphans of Kasungu, Malawi

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Greetings from Malawi!

We thank Lord Jesus for the gifts of life and giving me brother and sister friends who are able to help one another and for the gift of helping children who were once hopeless. There was no light in their life. Jesus said ***"I am the way, the truth and the light."***

When we started this project we had no idea where to go or where to start. ***But Jesus is the way!***

We have challenges along the way but ***Jesus is the way!***

We wondered how to feed the children but ***Jesus is the way!***

Children who were not even going to school are now able to get an education. ***Jesus is the way!***

Children are able to pray and sing songs of joy. ***Jesus is the way, the truth and the light!***

I see many lives changed and children seeing that with Jesus, there is light at the end of every tunnel. I tell you that ***Jesus is indeed, the way, the truth and the light!***

Shalom.

Pastor Justin



Year-End Giving

We praise God for what He has done through the Jehovah Jireh Project in 2024! Through your generous gifts we have ministered to desperate children suffering from hunger, disease, and poverty in Jesus' Name and shared the hope found only in the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. ***To God be all the glory!*** Year-end gifts can be made electronically through our website at jjp-malawi.org or can be mailed to The Jehovah Jireh Project, 1045 Clearview Drive SE, New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663. We are a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, EIN 93-2430364.

Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord,
and he will reward them for what they have done. ~ PROVERBS 19:17



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OUR MOTIVATION

Matthew 25:34-36

OUR VISION

To provide Christ-centered solutions to help the poor and underprivileged living in poverty in Kasungu, Malawi, Africa become financially self-sufficient followers of Christ so that they may be able to disciple others.

OUR MISSION

A Judeo-Christian ministry designed to show the love of Christ by providing relief for the poor, the distressed, and underprivileged in Kasungu, Malawi, Africa. Focus is primarily on housing, food, clothing, shelter, potable water, faith-based education, vocational training and other assistance to become financially self-sufficient.



DECEMBER 2024



Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It has been a busy time at the orphanage. All of the children have started their next term in school and I am happy to report that through your giving all the children sponsored and unsponsored are able to go to school. All fees, uniforms and

school supplies have been provided. Thank you for your provision and your faithfulness.

Farmland has been leased at a reduced rate and all seed and fertilizer has been purchased. The land has been cleared and prepared for planting within the next month. The animals at the farm are reproducing and all herds and flocks are growing in number. This is such a blessing from the Lord.

We have some exciting news to share! We will be hosting Pastor Banda once again here in the U.S. His visa has been approved and his plane ticket purchased. He will be here for 3 weeks the beginning of July. We are planning several events for you to meet and greet him.

Our next need for the orphanage is a vehicle. We will begin fundraising for this very soon. Transportation costs have skyrocketed. Many trips to the clinics when children get sick, transporting some of the older children to the next level of schooling, and trips to the capitol city make this an urgent matter. The vehicle can also be used to transport workers to and from the farm, as well as moving farm goods to and from the farm. Our board has agreed this is a much needed item for the orphanage. The goal is to raise \$10,000 to purchase the vehicle. If you feel lead to help us reach our goal, you can donate through our website at www.jjp-malawi.org.

One last thing I would like to share, Pastor Banda's church has baptized over 60 people in the past few months and the people in Kasungu have seen what God has done and continues to do through this ministry. We give Him thanks and all the praise. Thank You Jesus.

May the Lord Bless you all for your ongoing support.

Rick Bloom, President



This is Jane. Jane wants to become a nurse. We have helped her apply to nursing school. But in the meantime, while we wait for word on her acceptance, she is learning a trade, how to sew. Jane is available for sponsorship

Board Meeting Highlights

Board Meetings are typically held the third Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. in the New Philadelphia Nazarene Youth Building. We welcome anyone who wishes to attend.

APPROVED:

- TB and Malaria treatment for 2 children - \$520 per child
- Medical care donation button added to website
- \$500 Emergency Fund to keep in Malawi bank for emergencies. Sometimes we just can't get money to Malawi fast enough.
- Justin's return to the U.S. in 2025

DISCUSSIONS:

- Trade training for older children: ie. tailoring, plumbing, welding, carpentry, electrician
- Transportation problem: Possible purchase of a vehicle
- Legacy giving
- Flush toilets/septic for the 2 homes
- Succession plan in Justin's absence
- Painting fundraiser raised \$800

FINANCES

JULY 1 - NOVEMBER 31, 2024

Beginning Balance.....	\$13,376.88
Income.....	\$20,523.80
Subtotal.....	\$33,900.68
Total Expenses.....	\$23,567.95
Ending Balance	\$10,332.73

EXPENSES:

11/5/24 - VISA/Pastor Support.....	1050.00
11/24/24 - Nov. Monthly Expenses/Emg. Fund.....	3050.00
10/15/24 - Bibles, Seed, Fertilizer, Workers Wages.....	2850.00
10/21/24 - Justin's Plane Ticket to US.....	1446.00
10/28/24 - Oct. Monthly Expenses/TB Meds.....	2850.00
9/4/24 - College Applications.....	550.00
9/13/24 - Medical.....	202.99
9/23/24 - Sept. Monthly Expenses/VISA/ \$500 Emg. Fund	3250.00
8/5/24 - Medical	129.99
8/21/24 - School Fees/School Supplies/Uniforms/ Aug. Monthly Expenses.....	\$5050.00
7/8/24 - College Application	174.99
7/15/24 - Medical.....	154.99
7/23/24 - July Monthly Expenses/TB Med/VISA.....	2745.00
7/26/24 - Cash (Emg).....	63.99



Grace and Chisomo Have Recovered from Tuberculosis

Grace and Chisomo (also called Mafunacy) have recovered and are doing well after receiving medication for tuberculosis (TB). PRAISE GOD! The treatment for TB was costly, running about \$260 per child for treatment that involved multiple antibiotics taken over many months.



Washing Dishes - "Malawi Style"

Emily and Ethel help wash dishes. All of the children help with daily chores as part of the family.



Timothy and Wisdom are showing their ingenuity and resourcefulness by creating cars from old discarded wire to play with.

Eight Children Still in Need of Sponsors

ELIAS BANDA is 12 years old and in the fourth grade. Although his early years are a little unclear, we do know that he was being cared for as an infant and small boy by a woman until the parents could be found. She thought it was to be a temporary situation. The parents could not be found, so she ended up abandoning him because she could not care for him long term. This is a common problem in Malawi. It is such a poor country that parents often abandon their infants and children because they do not have the means to care for them.

Elias was eventually found living with "street boys" at a very young age. He was sleeping under a bridge, stealing food to feed himself, and was being beaten. He continued to be passed around from place to place to keep the young child safe until the government finally

stepped in and took custody of him. They again tried to locate the parents but they could not be found.

They then called Pastor Justin who took him home with him to live in one of the two homes where Elias began to thrive. He is very smart and a hard worker. He is having some issues catching up in school because of his lack of schooling in his early years but Justin is confident that he will overcome that with the stability and safety of family life in the home.

He likes football and absolutely loves dancing!

Please keep Elias in your prayers.

If you would like to sponsor Elias or any of the children below for just \$40 a month, please call Rick Bloom at (330) 340-2327 or go to www.jjp-malawi.org.



Brandina
Age 14



Esther
Age 11



Jane
Age 18



Alina
Age 16



Isaac
Age 13



Maria
Age 16



Mbwana
Age 13

Preparing the Fields for Planting in Malawi

Six acres have been prepared for planting and are awaiting the rainy season in November and December. It is all prepared by hand. The soil must be prepared and worked into rows with the use of no machinery.

The maize (corn) harvest provides the main food source for the two orphan homes throughout the year. If the crops do really well, surplus can be sold to provide a source of income. The maize crop is part of the long-range plan to move the Jehovah Jireh Project toward self-sufficiency.

*Can you imagine
plowing all of this
by hand?*

*In this photo, Pastor
Justin examines
the fields before the
workers arrive.*



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